

GLOUCESTER CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR OF BUSINESS TUESDAY, September 26, 2023 6:00 P.M. KYROUZ AUDITORIUM, CITY HALL COUNCIL MEETING #2023-018 MEETINGS ARE RECORDED

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UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR

ACTION

COUNCILORS ORDERS

1. CC#2023-050 (Worthley): Amend City Council Rules of Procedure 2023 re: Oral Communications

2. CC#2023-051 (Gilman): Amend City Council Rules of Procedure 2023 re: Start time of City Council meetings

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CITY OF GLOUCESTER 2023 CITY COUNCIL ORDER

ORDER: CC#2023-051 COUNCILOR: Val Gilman

DATE RECEIVED BY COUNCIL: 09/26/2023

REFERRED TO: O&A

FOR COUNCIL VOTE:

ORDERED request that the City Council amend the City Council Rules of Procedure 2023 as follows:

AMEND Rule 1: Meetings (A) as follows: Regular City Council meetings, beginning January of 2011 shall be held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month and shall begin at 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. unless the City Council votes otherwise. During the emergency order, Council voted to begin meetings at 6:00 p.m. Meetings will return to 7:00 p.m. when our regularly scheduled City Council meetings return to in person.

FURTHER ORDERED that this matter be referred to the Ordinances & Administration Standing Committee for review and recommendation to the City Council.

Val Gilman Ward 4 Councilor



CITY OF GLOUCESTER 2023 CITY COUNCIL ORDER

ORDER: **COUNCILOR:** CC#2023-050

Jeff Worthley

DATE RECEIVED BY COUNCIL: 09/26/2023

REFERRED TO: O&A

FOR COUNCIL VOTE:

ORDERED request that the City Council amend the City Council Rules of Procedure 2023 as follows:

Amending and adding: *Oral Communications: DELETING: The public shall have the opportunity at every regular City Council meeting to be heard under ORAL COMMUNICATIONS on matters not appearing on the agenda. ADDING: The public shall have the opportunity at every regularly scheduled meeting to be heard under oral communications on matters not already scheduled for a public hearing at that meeting or already advertised for a future meeting. Oral Communications shall allow any resident and/or Gloucester property owner, and/or Gloucester business owner who has a request or complaint of any nature relative to City Business to appear before the Council, state their problem without debate and the matter shall be referred to the proper agency through the Office of the Mayor. The resident, and/or Gloucester property owner and/or Gloucester business owner must be notified in writing within a two-week period of disposition of same by the Office of the Mayor and a copy shall be forwarded to the City Council. Residents, and/or Gloucester property owners and/or Gloucester business owners speaking on the same topic at consecutive meetings under Oral Communications will not receive additional dispositions from the Office of the Mayor. Persons speaking under oral communications shall be limited to three minutes each and shall submit a copy of their prepared communication to the Clerk of Committees.

FURTHER ORDERED that this matter be referred to the Ordinances & Administration Standing Committee for review and recommendation to the City Council.

> Jeff Worthley Councilor at Large